

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Sanchis et al.

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For: NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCES CODING
FOR POLYPEPTIDES ENDOWED
WITH A LARVICIDAL ACTIVITY
TOWARD LEPIDOPTERA

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application
as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-14, 19-20, 28, and 32-36; amend claims 15-18, 21-27,
and 29-31; and add claims 37 to 41 as set forth below:

15. A recombinant expression and cloning vector containing a nucleotide
sequence coding for at least part of the N-terminal region of a polypeptide specifically
toxic toward larvae of Lepidoptera of the family Noctuidae.

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